



# OPPORTUNITY RISING

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# Opportunity Rising Scholarship Application

The Opportunity Rising Scholarship is for current high school and General Education Development (GED) student who are under 19 years of age and are enrolling in an institution of higher learning for the Fall Semester of the upcoming school year.

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS ARE:

- Student must reside in one of DHA's Housing Programs
- Becoming a graduate with a high school diploma or GED of the current year
- Enrolling in an institution of higher learning for the Fall Semester of the upcoming school year
- Must complete this application process in its entirety

### TO APPLY FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP, STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

- Completed scholarship packet
- Email one recommendation letter (letters can be from an employer, community representative, or school official)
- Email a copy of GPA, SAT, and ACT Scores or Transcript
- Email a photograph (headshot only)
- Complete the "Let's Talk About You" section
- Submit a 500-word typed essay (not to exceed 500 words) on the application form. The theme for this year's essay submission is "What Is **Hope**? When Have You Felt **Hopeless**? When Have You Felt **Hopeful**?" In the essay, please include answers to the following questions in your own words: How did you come up with the definition of **Hope**? What was the experience that made you feel **Hopeless**? What was the experience that made you feel **Hopeful**?

### EACH ESSAY WILL BE JUDGED ON:

				
Quality of content	Ability to captivate the reader	Originality	Correct grammar usage (punctuation & spelling)	Overall presentation

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last, First MI*

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
*Number Street Apt/Unit #*

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which type of DHA supported housing you reside in: Public Housing Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8)

Home Tel. # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

What is your preferred method of communication? Phone Email Text messages

Parent/Guardian(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last, First MI Contact Tel. #*

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For questions or to learn more about Opportunity Rising Scholarships, contact the Educational Programs & Development Coordinator at 214-224-3622 (7-1-1 for Relay Texas assistance) or write to: Opportunity Rising, 3939 N. Hampton Road, Dallas TX 75212  
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1. Gender (check one):  Male  Female  Other  Prefer not to say
2. High School \_\_\_\_\_
3. Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_
4. SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_
5. Grade Point Average (GPA) \_\_\_\_\_
6. What is the name of the institution that you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_  
*(college, vocational, or technical school)*
7. Have you been accepted to this institution of higher learning?  Yes  No
8. Have you completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?  Yes  No
9. Are you an Athlete?  Yes  No If YES, are you registered with the NCAA Clearing House?  Yes  No
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### Let's Talk About You...

Volunteer/Community Service Activities:

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*All checks are mailed directly and payable to the institution. The student's identification number is on the check for proper crediting. If a student is not enrolled in school when the scholarship award is made, the institution will return the check to the DHA.*

*Special Note: Community service with our office does not guarantee a scholarship award. DHA reserves the right to deny an individual a scholarship based on fund availability and criterion.*

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### Let's Talk About You...

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Extracurricular School and Community Activities: *(If you hold an office in any organization, list that in this section.)*

Family Responsibilities: *(i.e. clean the kitchen, baby-sit, take out the trash etc.)*

Employment Responsibilities:

List Three Adjectives That Best Describe You:

1.

2.

3.

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The theme for this year's essay submission is "What Is Hope? When Have You Felt Hopeless? When Have You Felt Hopeful?" In the essay, please include answers to the following questions in your own words: How did you come up with the definition of hope? What was the experience that made you feel hopeless? What was the experience that made you feel hopeful?

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Email completed application to: [Chyrel.Roseborough@dhantx.com](mailto:Chyrel.Roseborough@dhantx.com)